



Delta plays role in governor's water shortage proclamation

The governor's State of Emergency – Water Shortage Proclamation issued last Friday calls on all Californians to cut their water use by 20 percent. Some of the proclamation's directives mention the Delta. For example, Directive 5 says "DWR shall implement short-term efforts to protect water quality or water supply, such as the installation of temporary barriers in the Delta or temporary water supply connections." And Directive 6 says the "SWRCB shall expedite the processing and consideration of requests by DWR to address water quality standards in the Delta to help preserve cold water pools in upstream reservoirs for salmon preservation and water supply." [Read more.](#)



DWR schedules Delta 'scoping' meetings statewide

DWR has scheduled 12 scoping meetings throughout California to share the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) environmental review process and to solicit comments from the public, agencies, and tribes about the scope of the Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS). Delta-area meetings will be held in: Davis, Wednesday, March 18; Sacramento, Thursday, March 19; Brentwood, Monday, March 23; Stockton, Tuesday, March 24; Fairfield, Wednesday, March 25; and Clarksburg, Thursday, March 26. [You can download the meeting schedule here.](#)

State Water Board staff plan workshop about South Delta salinity

The State Water Board will hold a brief workshop to discuss the status of its re-evaluation of southern Delta salinity objectives. The workshop will be held on Wednesday, March 18, at 9 a.m. in the Sierra Hearing Room at Joe Serna Jr./Cal-EPA Building in Sacramento. You can listen to the meeting via teleconference at 916-255-4044. [The notice and the agenda for the workshop will be posted here shortly.](#)

Wolk appointed leader of Delta stewardship Senate panel

Senate President pro Tem Darrell Steinberg today selected Sen. Lois Wolk, D-Davis, to chair a newly created committee on Delta stewardship and sustainability, also appointing her to serve as the Senate's representative on the state commission in charge of plans for land use and resource management in the Delta. "California's water supply challenges are real and interconnected to the crisis in the Delta. They both demand action and results," Wolk said in a statement. Here are links to [Wolk's](#) and [Steinberg's](#) websites.



Wolk

Dredged material subject of meeting on March 12

A meeting about the Delta Long-Term Management Strategy (LTMS) for dredged material will be held on Thursday, March 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Department of Water Resources, Sacramento. [Details of the meeting will be posted here.](#) Since 2004, the Delta LTMS has been developing a way to beneficially reuse dredged materials in the Delta for levees, habitat, and subsidence control.



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